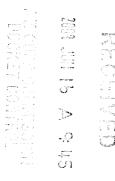


# BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SEP-II, LLC, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES SECTION 40-360, et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE MESQUITE SOLAR GEN-TIE 230KV TRANSMISSION LINE, ORIGINATING AT THE PROPOSED MESQUITE SOLAR PHOTO VOLTAIC GENERATING FACILITY IN SEC. 18, T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, MARICOPA COUNTY, AND TERMINATING AT THE EXISTING MESQUITE GENERATING STATION 230KV SWITCHYARD IN SEC. 15. T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, IN MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA.

Docket No. L-00000KK-09-0299-00147 Case No. 147

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**DATED: June 16, 2009** 

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John Foreman, Chairman Afizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee **Assistant Attorney General** john.foreman@azag.gov

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Tara Williams

To:

andrew.gleason@bryancave.com; sahirsch@bryancave.com

Date:

6/5/2009 4:08 PM

Subject:

Mesquite Solar Project

Mr. Hirsch and Mr. Gleason,

I was contacted by the Corporation Commission Docket Control this afternoon regarding Sempra's application filed for the Mesquite Solar Project. Chairman Foreman has requested that a procedural meeting be scheduled as soon as possible. I wanted to check the Applicant's availability.

The conference would be held here, at the Attorney General's Office: 1275 W Washington Street, Phoenix.

The Applicant would need to schedule a court reporter as well and contact any possible interveners, including Commission Staff.

Please let me know about your availability, and I will check the dates with the Chairman.

Thank you,
Tara Williams
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"Gleason, Andrew D." <andrew.gleason@bryancave.com>

To:

"Tara Williams" < Tara. Williams@azag.gov>

Date: Subject: 6/9/2009 8:58 AM RE: Notice of Hearing

CC:

"Hirsch, Steven" <sahirsch@bryancave.com>

Tara:

We are aware of no potential intervenors for the case.

Regards.

Andrew D. Gleason Bryan Cave LLP 2 N. Central Avenue, Suite 2200 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 (602) 364-7276 - phone (602) 716-8276 - fax

----Original Message-----

From: Tara Williams [mailto:Tara.Williams@azag.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2009 7:48 AM

To: Gleason, Andrew D. Subject: RE: Notice of Hearing

Mr. Gleason,

I will run those dates by the Committee. Also, do you have a list of potential intervenors or parties for the case and which firms they are with?

Thank you,
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>>> "Gleason, Andrew D." <andrew.gleason@bryancave.com> 6/8/2009 5:32 PM >>>

Tara:

I have spoken some more with members of our team and two key people are

not available from July 22-August 7. The other dates I provided earlier today are still available. And the applicant's preference would be to have the hearing prior to July 22, if such a hearing date is available.

Feel free to give me a call to discuss if you have any questions.

Thank you for your assistance.

Regards. Drew

Andrew D. Gleason Bryan Cave LLP 2 N. Central Avenue, Suite 2200 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 (602) 364-7276 - phone (602) 716-8276 - fax

----Original Message-----

From: Tara Williams [mailto:Tara.Williams@azag.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2009 4:26 PM

To: Gleason, Andrew D. Subject: RE: Notice of Hearing

Mr. Gleason,

The docket number is L-00000KK-09-0299-00147. The case number is 147.

Thank you,
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The conformed copy we received back from Docket Control did include the Docket Number of Case Number. Do you have those numbers, and if so, can you provide them.

Thank you very much.

Regards.

Andrew D. Gleason Bryan Cave LLP 2 N. Central Avenue, Suite 2200 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 (602) 364-7276 - phone (602) 716-8276 - fax

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From: Tara Williams [mailto:Tara.Williams@azag.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2009 3:19 PM To: Gleason, Andrew D.; Hirsch, Steven

Subject: Notice of Hearing

Mr. Gleason,

Attached are two notices that were recently filed that can be used as templates for the Notice for your case. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
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# BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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3 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF UNS ELECTRIC, INC. FOR A

CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY FOR THE VAIL TO

5 VALENCIA 115KV TO 138KV

TRANSMISSION LINE UPGRADE 6 PROJECT, ORIGINATING AT THE

EXISTING VAIL SUBSTATION IN SEC. 4, T.16S., R.15E., PIMA COUNTY, TO THE

EXISTING VALENCIA SUBSTATION IN SEC. 5, T.24S., R.14E., IN THE CITY OF

NOGALES, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY, ARIZONA.

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Docket No. L-00000F-09-0190-00144

Case No. 144

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# **NOTICE OF HEARING**

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A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the application of UNS Electric, Inc. ("UNS Electric" or "Applicant") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing an upgrade of an existing 115 kV

Transmission Line to 138 kV and approximately 4 to 5.5 miles of new 138 kV line, connecting the existing Vail Substation near the intersection of Interstate-10 and Rita Road, in the City of Tucson, Pima County Arizona, to the existing Valencia

Substation at White Park Drive and Grand Avenue in the City of Nogales, Santa

Cruz County, Arizona (the "Project"). The hearing will be held at the Esplendor Resort at Rio Rico, 1069 Camino Caralampi, Rio Rico, Arizona 85648. The hearing is scheduled to begin Tuesday June 2, 2009 at 9:30 a.m., and to continue as necessary on Wednesday June 3, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. and Thursday June 4, 2009 at

9:30 a.m. The hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. on all days. Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Applicant and Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") websites.

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The Applicant's website with Project information is http://www.uesaz.com/Company/News/VailValencia.asp

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The ACC Website is: www.azcc.gov/AZ Power Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp.

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Copies of the Application and Transcripts will be available for inspection at the following locations:

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Joyner-Green Valley Branch Library: 601 N. La Canada Drive, Green Valley, Arizona 85614.

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Nogales-Rochlin Public Library: 518 N. Grand Avenue, Nogales, Arizona 85621.

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Pima County Public Library, 9640 E. Golf Links Road, Tucson, Arizona 85730.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN AFTER OPENING STATEMENTS AND AS PERMITTED BY THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN. IN ADDITION, A SEPARATE EVENING PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION WILL BE HELD JUNE 2, 2009, AT 6:00 P.M. ALSO AT THE ESPLENDOR RESORT, 1069 CAMINO CARALAMPI, RIO RICO, ARIZONA 85648.

The Project consists of replacing approximately 25 to 29 miles of an older single-circuit 115 kV line with new single-circuit 138 kV transmission line, and constructing approximately 4 to 5.5 miles of new single-circuit 138 kV line to facilitate a new interconnection for the Santa Cruz County service area. A general location map of the Applicant's proposed route, described herein, is set forth below.

The Project is proposed to originate at the existing Vail Substation operated by Tucson Electric Power Company ("TEP"), in T.16S., R.15E., Section 4 near Interstate 10 and Rita Road within the City of Tucson. A new line will extend approximately 4 to 5.5 miles, depending on the selected route, southwesterly to connect with the existing UNS Electric transmission line. The existing transmission line is currently operating at 115 kV, but was designed to operate at 138 kV. It will remain as presently constructed from that connection approximately 26 to 28 miles south to the Kantor Substation near Tubac (per Line Siting Case No. 78 approved in Decision No. 56097). Upon the Project's completion, that existing line will operate at 138 kV.

From Kantor Substation the existing 115 KV line will be rebuilt on steel monopoles and as a 138 KV transmission line:

• for approximately 13.4 to 14.9 miles from the Kantor Substation southerly to the Cañez Substation;

• for approximately 3.3 to 3.6 miles from the Canez Substation southerly to the Sonoita Substation; and

• for approximately 8.3 to 10.1 miles from the Sonoita Substation southerly to the Valencia Substation in Nogales.

Both preferred and alternative alignments for the rebuild portions and the 4 to 5.5 mile new portion from the Vail Substation for the Project have been submitted by the Applicant.

More complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the proposed route are available in the Application and on the Applicant's website. The Application that includes detailed maps of the proposed Project is on file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix Arizona, 85007, and 400 West Congress Street, Suite 221, Tucson, Arizona 85701 in addition to the three locations above.

The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area and the proposed routes — most likely to occur on June 3, 2009 starting at 8:30 a.m. If a tour is conducted, a map and itinerary for the tour will be available at the hearings. Members of the public may follow the Committee in their own private vehicles. During the tour, the Committee may hear brief testimony at stops on the tour from one or more witnesses concerning where the stops are located, what is visible at the stops and the relevance of the location and view to the proposed routes of the transmission

line in the Application. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur. A court reporter will transcribe any testimony taken on the tour.

Depending on the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess, at which time and place the hearing will be resumed. These dates and places will be posted on the Project and ACC websites. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed hearings may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

# NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN; PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and desiring to become a party in the proceeding must file with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party. That notice must be filed not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing.

Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to promote conservation or natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote customer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups, or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be located and desiring to become a party to the certification proceedings must file with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, notice of its intent to be a party. That notice must be filed not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing.

The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons parties to the proceeding.

Any person may make a limited appearance at a hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five (5) days before a date set for hearing. A person making a limited appearance shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §§ 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code R14-3-201 to R14-3-219. No substantive communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

ORDERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2009. John Foreman, Chairman ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE Assistant Attorney General 

# BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	)
ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, IN	)
CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS	) Docket No. L-00000D-09-0161-00143
OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES SECTION	
40-360, et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF	) Case No. 143
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY	)
AUTHORIZING THE BAGDAD 115kV	)
TRANSMISSION LINE RELOCATION PROJECT,	)
WHICH INCLUDES THE RELOCATION OF A	)
115kV TRANSMISSION LINE BETWEEN AN	)
EXISTING CAPACITOR BANK STATION, 0.5	)
MILES WEST OF THE UNINCORPORATED	)
TOWN OF BAGDAD, YAVAPAI COUNTY,	)
ARIZONA, AT SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 14	)
NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, G&SRB&M, AND AN	)
EXISTING MINE SUBSTATION, THREE MILES	)
NORTHWEST OF THE UNINCORPORATED	)
TOWN OF BAGDAD, YAVAPAI COUNTY,	)
ARIZONA, AT SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 15	)
NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, G&SRB&M	)

## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the Bagdad 115kV Transmission Line Relocation Project ("Project") in Yavapai County, Arizona. The hearing will be held at the Hampton Inn & Suites, 2000 North Litchfield Road, Goodyear, Arizona, 85395, (623) 536-1313, beginning on Monday, May 18, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. and continuing, if necessary, on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. The hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") website. The ACC website is <a href="www.azcc.gov/AZ">www.azcc.gov/AZ</a> Power Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp. Public comment will be taken at the beginning of each hearing day.

The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area and the proposed route on a future date. If a tour is conducted, a map and itinerary for the tour will be available at the hearings. Members of the public may follow the Committee in their own private vehicles. During any tour, the Committee may hear brief testimony at stops on the tour from one or more witnesses concerning where the stops are located, what is visible at the stops and the relevance of the location and view to the Proposed Route of the transmission line in the Application. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur.

The Project consists of approximately 5 miles of 115kV transmission line to be relocated to approximately 1 mile south of the existing location. A general location map of the Project study area and Applicant's Proposed Route containing references to the route described herein is set forth below.

The Proposed Route originates at an existing capacitor bank station, located 0.5 miles west of the Town of Bagdad in Section 10, Township 14 North, Range 9 West, G&SRB&M. The Proposed Route terminates at an existing mine substation, located 3 miles northwest of the Town of Bagdad in Section 31, Township 15 North, Range 9 West, G&SRB&M. The Applicant requests a 200-foot corridor, 100 feet on either side of the shown centerline.

More complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the proposed alignment are available in the Application itself. The Application, including detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on file with the Docket Control Office of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Copies of the Application also are available for inspection at the following location:

■ Bagdad Public Library, 100 Main Street, Bagdad, Arizona 86321

Depending on the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. These dates and places will be posted on the ACC website. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed hearing may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

# NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN. PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and desiring to become a party to the proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing, provide the Committee Chairman by filing with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be located and desiring to become a party to the certification proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing, provide the Committee Chairman by filing with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

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This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes Sections 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-219. The written decision of the Committee shall be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

ORDERED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009.

Hon. John Foreman, Chairman Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee Assistant Attorney General

Tara Williams

To:

Andrew D. Gleason

Date: Subject: 6/10/2009 11:20 AM RE: Committee

CC:

sahirsch@bryancave.com

Thank you, Mr. Gleason. The Chairman is out of the office but should be back around 12:30. I will have him look it over, and when it is signed, I will PDF it back to you for posting/publishing.

I also wanted to check your availability for a pre-hearing conference 1-2 weeks prior to the hearing on August 13th. The Chairman is drafting a Procedural Order for the case and needs the date for the conference.

It would be held here, at the Attorney General's Office, 1275 W Washington. A court reporter would be needed, and any possible intervenors should be notified.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you,
Tara Williams
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>>> "Gleason, Andrew D." <<u>andrew.gleason@bryancave.com</u>> 6/10/2009 10:46 AM >>> Tara:

We have confirmed that August 13 and 14 work from the applicant's stand point and meeting space at an area hotel is available to hold the hearing.

Accordingly, as requested, attached is a proposed form of Notice of Hearing reflecting the August 13 and 14 dates with a proposed location at the Hampton Inn & Suites in Goodyear, Arizona.

Please feel free to give me a call to discuss.

Regards. Drew

Andrew D. Gleason Bryan Cave LLP 2 N. Central Avenue, Suite 2200 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 (602) 364-7276 - phone (602) 716-8276 - fax

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From: Tara Williams [mailto:Tara.Williams@azag.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2009 9:58 AM

To: Gleason, Andrew D. Subject: Committee

tara.williams@azaq.gov

Mr. Gleason,

Most of the Committee is available for August 13th and 14th. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you,
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# BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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CONFORMANCE WITH THE

IN THE MATTER OF THE

REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA **REVISED STATUTES SECTION 40-**

APPLICATION OF SEP-II, LLC. IN

360, et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL

COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE MESOUITE SOLAR GEN-TIE 230KV TRÀNSMISSION LINE

ORIGINATING AT THE PROPOSED MESOUITE SOLAR PHOTO

VOLTAIC GENERATING FACILITY IN SEC. 18, T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, MARICOPA COUNTY, AND

TERMINATING AT THE EXISTING MESQUITE GENERATING STATION

230KV SWITCHYARD IN SEC. 15, T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, IN MARÍCOPA COUNTY, ÁRIZONA.

Docket No. L-00000KK-09-0299-00147

Case No. 147

# **NOTICE OF HEARING**

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of SEP-II, LLC ("Applicant") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the Mesquite Solar Gen-Tie 230 kV Transmission Line Project ("Project") in Maricopa County, Arizona. The hearing will be held at the Hampton Inn & Suites, 2000 North Litchfield Road, Goodyear, Arizona, 85395, (623) 536-1313, beginning on August 13, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. and continuing, if necessary, on August 14, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. The hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Arizona Corporation website. The ACC website Commission ("ACC") www.azcc.gov/AZ Power Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp. Public comment will be taken at the beginning of each hearing day.

The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area and the Proposed Route on a future date. If a tour is conducted, a map and itinerary for the tour will be available

at the hearings. Members of the public may follow the Committee in their own

private vehicles. During any tour, the Committee may hear brief testimony at stops

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on the tour from one or more witnesses concerning where the stops are located, what is visible at the stops and the relevance of the location and view to the Proposed Route of the transmission line in the Application. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur.

The Project consists of approximately five miles of 230kV transmission line to be constructed. A general location map of the Project study area and Applicant's Preferred and Alternate Routes containing references to the routes described herein is set forth below.

The Proposed Route originates at the proposed Mesquite Solar 230kV Switchyard, located south of the existing Mesquite Generating Station wildlife oasis located in the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 6 West, G&SRB&M. The Proposed Route terminates at the existing Mesquite Generating Station 230kV Switchyard, located in the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 15, Township 1 South, Range 6 West, G&SRB&M. The Applicant requests a 240-foot corridor, 120 feet on either side of the shown centerline. Both preferred and alternative alignments for the approximate five mile Project have been submitted by the Applicant.

More complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the proposed alignment are available in the Application itself. The Application, including detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on file with the Docket Control Office of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Copies of the Application also are available for inspection at the following location:

■ Town of Buckeye Public Library, 310 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Buckeye, Arizona 85326

Depending on the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. These dates and places will be posted on the ACC website. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed hearing may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

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ORDERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2009.

John Foreman, Chairman Arizona Power Plant And Transmission Line Siting Committee Assistant Attorney General

MESQUITE SOLAR

Figure 1 Project Map

Delineated Areas

Proposed Mesquite Solar Energy Generation Area (per CPA200807)

Proposed Transmission 230 kV Double-Circuit

Public Land Survey System

Townships
Sections

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"Hirsch, Steven" <sahirsch@BryanCave.com>
"Tara Williams" <Tara.Williams@azag.gov>

To: Date:

6/10/2009 11:31 AM

Subject:

Out of Office AutoReply: Committee

I will be out of the office on Wednesday, June 10 through Friday, June 12 and will not be in a position where it will be easy to retrieve e-mails or voice mails. If you have an issue that cannot wait for me, please contact any other Bryan Cave lawyer who may be working with me on your case, or my secretary, Cathy Tardy, at 602-364-7360 or catardy@bryancave.com.

Steve Hirsch

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Tara Williams

To: Date: Andrew D. Gleason 6/10/2009 12:54 PM

Subject:

RE: Notice of Hearing

Mr. Gleason,

Proof of publication can be sent to the Chairman through docketing.

Thank you,
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>>> "Gleason, Andrew D." <a href="mailto:sandbryancave.com">andrew.gleason@bryancave.com</a> 6/10/2009 12:48 PM >>> Thank you. Should we send the proof of publication delivered to you or send it through docketing?

I am working on assembling dates for the proposed procedural conference and will be in touch to get that scheduled.

Regards. Drew

Andrew D. Gleason Bryan Cave LLP 2 N. Central Avenue, Suite 2200 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 (602) 364-7276 - phone (602) 716-8276 - fax

----Original Message-----

From: Tara Williams [mailto:Tara.Williams@azag.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:15 PM

To: Gleason, Andrew D. Subject: Notice of Hearing

Mr. Gleason,

I have attached the signed Notice of Hearing for you. I will also be taking it to the Corporation Commission to be docketed.

Thank you,
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### BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

Case No. 147

Docket No. L-00000KK-09-0299-00147

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3 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SEP-II, LLC, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA

5 **REVISED STATUTES SECTION 40-**360, et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL

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COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE MESQUITE SOLAR GEN-TIE

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**NOTICE OF HEARING** A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and

Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of

SEP-II, LLC ("Applicant") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility

authorizing the Mesquite Solar Gen-Tie 230 kV Transmission Line Project ("Project") in Maricopa County, Arizona. The hearing will be held at the Hampton

Inn & Suites, 2000 North Litchfield Road, Goodyear, Arizona, 85395, (623) 536-

1313, beginning on August 13, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. and continuing, if necessary, on August 14, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. The hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Arizona Corporation

www.azcc.gov/AZ Power Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp. Public comment will be

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The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area and the Proposed Route on a future date. If a tour is conducted, a map and itinerary for the tour will be available at the hearings. Members of the public may follow the Committee in their own private vehicles. During any tour, the Committee may hear brief testimony at stops

website.

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on the tour from one or more witnesses concerning where the stops are located, what is visible at the stops and the relevance of the location and view to the Proposed Route of the transmission line in the Application. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur.

The Project consists of approximately five miles of 230kV transmission line to be constructed. A general location map of the Project study area and Applicant's Preferred and Alternate Routes containing references to the routes described herein is set forth below.

The Proposed Route originates at the proposed Mesquite Solar 230kV Switchyard, located south of the existing Mesquite Generating Station wildlife oasis located in the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 6 West, G&SRB&M. The Proposed Route terminates at the existing Mesquite Generating Station 230kV Switchyard, located in the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 15, Township 1 South, Range 6 West, G&SRB&M. The Applicant requests a 240-foot corridor, 120 feet on either side of the shown centerline. Both preferred and alternative alignments for the approximate five mile Project have been submitted by the Applicant.

More complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the proposed alignment are available in the Application itself. The Application, including detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on file with the Docket Control Office of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Copies of the Application also are available for inspection at the following location:

■ Town of Buckeye Public Library, 310 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Buckeye, Arizona 85326

Depending on the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. These dates and places will be posted on the ACC website. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed hearing may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

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ORDERED this 10th day of June, 2009.

John/Foreman,

Plant Transmission Line Siting Committee

Assistant Attorney General

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Tara Williams

To:

andrew.gleason@bryancave.com

Date:

6/11/2009 12:04 PM

Subject:

Fwd: RE: Committee

CC:

sahirsch@bryancave.com

Mr. Gleason,

Since we realized the scheduling conflict, the Chairman has moved the pre-hearing conference to August 3rd at 2 pm. Please schedule a court reporter for that date, and let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Tara Williams
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>>> Tara Williams 6/11/2009 7:44 AM >>>

Mr. Gleason,

We have scheduled the pre-hearing conference for August 6th at 2:00 PM. It will be held here at 1275 W Washington. Inform the front desk that you have a meeting with John Foreman. I will come down and escort you to the conference room.

Please schedule for a court reporter to be present as well as any parties possibly interested in intervening, including Commission Legal Staff.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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>>> Tara Williams 6/10/2009 4:21 PM >>>

Thank you, Mr. Gleason. I will run those dates by the Chairman and get back to you.

Thank you, Tara Williams Assistant Consumer Protection & Advocacy Section Office of the Attorney General

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Set forth below are dates in which we and the applicant are available for a pre-hearing conference:

the week of 7/27 -- any times other than between 11:30-1:30 on 7/28 and 7/30. the week of 8/3 - after 12:00 on 8/3, any time on 8/4 and 8/5, after 12:00 on 8/6, and any time on 8/7.

Please advise if any of these times are acceptable.

Regards. Drew

Andrew D. Gleason Bryan Cave LLP 2 N. Central Avenue, Suite 2200 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 (602) 364-7276 - phone (602) 716-8276 - fax

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Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 11:21 AM

To: Gleason, Andrew D. Cc: Hirsch, Steven Subject: RE: Committee

Thank you, Mr. Gleason. The Chairman is out of the office but should be back around 12:30. I will have him look it over, and when it is signed, I will PDF it back to you for posting/publishing.

I also wanted to check your availability for a pre-hearing conference 1-2 weeks prior to the hearing on August 13th. The Chairman is drafting a Procedural Order for the case and needs the date for the conference.

It would be held here, at the Attorney General's Office, 1275 W Washington. A court reporter would be needed, and any possible intervenors should be notified.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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>>> "Gleason, Andrew D." <a href="mailto:andrew.gleason@bryancave.com"> 6/10/2009 10:46 AM >>> Tara:

We have confirmed that August 13 and 14 work from the applicant's stand point and meeting space at an area hotel is available to hold the hearing.

Accordingly, as requested, attached is a proposed form of Notice of Hearing reflecting the August 13 and 14 dates with a proposed location at the Hampton Inn & Suites in Goodyear, Arizona.

Please feel free to give me a call to discuss.

Regards. Drew

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Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2009 9:58 AM

To: Gleason, Andrew D. Subject: Committee

Mr. Gleason,

Most of the Committee is available for August 13th and 14th. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you,
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